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SUBJECT: COORDINATION OF MILITARY ASSISTANCE FOR ZAIRE

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1. DATE PROPOSED BY BRUSSELS FOR MILITARY ASSISTANCE
COORDINATION TALKS IS DIFFICULT TO ACCOMMODATE FROM
U.S. STANDPOINT. MOREOVER, DEPARTMENT AND DEFENSE
DO NOT BELIEVE IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE TO HAVE MEETING
IN BRUSSELS COINCIDE WITH WHAT WE UNDERSTAND IS SCHEDULED
VISIT OF GENERAL BABIA ON DECEMBER 22. IT WOULD BE
MORE USEFUL IF BELGIUM FIRST HAD OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS
ITS PROGRAM WITH ZAIRE, IDENTIFY ZAIRIAN REQUESTS AND
D:TERMINE ITS RESPONSE.

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2. EMBASSY IS ACCORDINGLY REQUESTED TO PROPOSE TO HOST

GOVERNMENT THAT MEETING BE POSTPONED TO JANUARY,
PREFERABLY WITHIN FIRST FORTNIGHT.

3. EMBASSY SHOULD ALSO SOLICIT AGREEMENT TO FOLLOWING
DRAFT AGENDA:

-- A. ORGANIZATION OF MEETING

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-- B. U.S. PRESENTATION OF OBJECTIVE OF MEETING

-- C. POLITICAL-MILITARY SETTING

-- -- SIGNIFICANCE OF ZAIRE FOR WESTERN INTERESTS
-- (DISCUSSION OF SUCH ISSUES AS ECONOMIC
-- IMPORTANCE, ROLE OF CENTRAL AFRICA,
-- RELATIONSHIP TO ANGOLA, ETC.)

-- -- THE THREAT TO ZAIRE (DISCUSSION OF HOW
-- ZAIRIANS PERCEIVE THE THREAT; PERCEPTIONS
-- BY U.S. AND HOST GOVERNMENT)

-- D. U.S. MILITARY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (TO OUTLINE
RESULTS OF GENERAL ROCKWELL'S SURVEY OF MAY 1976;
SUMMARIZE WHAT U.S. IS PREPARING TO OFFER DURING FY 1977;
WHAT WE ARE ASKING CONGRESS TO AUTHORIZE IN FY 1978;
DISCUSS PROPOSED COMPREHENSIVE MANPOWER, TRAINING AND
LOGISTIC SURVEY).

-- E. THIRD COUNTRY MILITARY PROGRAMS (PRIMARILY
CHINA, N. KOREA): SCOPE, POLITICAL SIGNIFICANCE, U.S.
AND HOST GOVERNMENT APPRECIATION OF THE PROBLEMS AND
ADVANTAGES POSED BY THESE PROGRAMS.

-- F. HOST GOVERNMENT MILITARY PROGRAMS IN ZAIRE:
PRESENT SCOPE, ASSUMPTIONS, AND APPROACH, FUTURE
INTENTIONS.

-- G. COOPERATION, COORDINATION AND POSSIBLE DIVISION
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OF LABOR:

-- -- PREFERRED AREAS FOR USG EMPHASIS;
-- -- PREFERRED AREAS FOR HOST GOVERNMENT EMPHASIS;
-- -- POSSIBLE AREAS FOR COOPERATION/CONSULTATION.

-- H. SUMMARY BY HOST GOVERNMENT AND DISCUSSION OF
POSSIBLE FOLLOW-UP.

4. FOR GUIDANCE OF HOST GOVERNMENT, STATE WILL CHAIR
JOINT STATE-DOD TEAM. STATE TEAM LEADER WILL BE AF/C
DIRECTOR THOMPSON R. BUCHANAN ASSISTED BY AF/I DIRECTOR
WILLIAM H. LEWIS. DEFENSE WILL BE REPRESENTED BY
MR. MILTON H. HAMILTON, OSD/ISA, MR. PETER R. SOMMER,
OSAA, LTC. JOSEPH LUBITSCH, JCS.

5. ALL ADDRESSEES WILL RECEIVE COPIES OF INTERNAL
ACTION MEMORANDUM OUTLINING PURPOSE OF TALKS,
VARIOUS POLICY ISSUES LIKELY TO COME UP AND PROPOSED
U.S. POSITIONS.

6. COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS ARE SOLICITED FROM ALL
ADDRESSEES ON SCOPE OF TALKS, PROBABLE REACTION OF
HOST GOVERNMENT, OUR GENERAL TACTICS, ETC. KISSINGER

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